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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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Larry Harmon 14 Birch St. Conyngham, PA 18219

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Re: Safety Light Corporation Site Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Harmon:

The purpose of this letter is to obtain certain information from you in connection with the Safety Light Corporation Site.

As you know, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is currently investigating the source, extent and nature of the release or threatened release of hazardous substances into the environment at the Safety Light Corporation Site, which was a facility that occupied and operated approximately 2 acres of a 10-acre property adjacent to the Susquehanna River off Old Berwick Road, Bloomsburg, Columbia County, Pennsylvania (hereafter known as the "Site"). This investigation involves an inquiry into, among other things, the past and present ownership of the Site and its operators, including the U.S. Radium Corporation. EPA is also interested in information concerning the generation, storage, treatment, transportation, and disposal methods of radioisotopes and other hazardous substances that have been or threaten to be released from the Site. EPA believes that you *may* possess information which may assist the Agency in its investigation of the Site.

Please respond in writing fully and completely to the following item within **ten (10)** days of your receipt of this letter:

INFORMATION REQUESTED

- 1. Do you have, and/or are you aware of other persons who may have, documents (including but not limited to letters, diaries, notes, contracts, agreements, photographs, brochures, manuals, reports) related to U.S. Radium or Safety Light Corporation's operations at the Site, or the handling or disposal of radionuclides or other hazardous substances there?
- 2. If your answer to the above question is anything but "No," please provide copies of the documents in your possession, and/or provide the name of the other person(s) who may have such document(s) in their possession.

EPA's authority to require submission of information concerning hazardous substances is listed in an enclosure to this letter.

We appreciate and look forward to your prompt response to this letter. EPA is convinced that the appropriate investigation and clean-up of hazardous sites can only be accomplished through full participation of interested citizens, and we note your contribution to this effort through your response to this letter.

Any questions you may have regarding the current status of this Site in the Superfund process can be directed to the Site Remedial Project Manager, Mitch Cron, at 215-814-3286.

If, for a particular reason, you are hesitant to answer this letter because you are concerned about public disclosure of your name in connection with the information you are required to submit, please clearly advise EPA in your response that you request confidential treatment of your identity. EPA cannot guarantee confidentiality, and does not encourage such a request, but we recognize that it may be appropriate in certain instances. In the event that you do request confidential treatment of your identity, EPA will evaluate whether such confidential treatment is warranted in your case. Please do not request confidential treatment of your identity unless you believe it is necessary.

If for any reason you do not provide all information responsive to this letter, you must: (1) describe specifically what was not provided, (2) supply to EPA a clear identification of the document(s) not provided, and (3) provide to EPA an appropriate reason why the document(s) was not provided.

Please send all documents and information to:

Harry R. Steinmetz (3HS62)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Mr. Steinmetz at 215-814-3161.

Sincerely,

Joanne L. Marinelli, Chief Cost Recovery Branch

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Enclosures:

Enclosure 1: Information Requirement Enclosure

Enclosure 2: Definitions

Enclosure 3: List of Contractors

Enclosure 1

Information Requirement Enclosure

Authority to Require Submission of Information

EPA is authorized to require submission of information under Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Section 9604(e).

Business Confidentiality Claims

You are entitled to assert a claim of business confidentiality covering any part or all of the submitted information, in the manner described in 40 C.F.R. Section 2.203(b). Information subject to a claim of business confidentiality will be made available to the public only in accordance with the procedures set forth in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. If a claim of business, confidentiality is not asserted when the information is submitted to EPA, EPA may make this information available to the public without further notice to you. You must clearly mark such information by either stamping or using any other such form of notice that such information is a trade secret, proprietary, or company confidential. It would be preferable if you would mark as confidential each page containing such information.

Disclosure to EPA Contractors and Grantees

EPA may contract with one or more independent contracting firms (See Enclosure 3) to review the documentation, including documents which you claim are confidential business information ("CBI"), which you submit in response to this information request, depending on available agency resources. Additionally, EPA may provide access to this information to (an) individual(s) working under (a) cooperative agreement(s) under the Senior Environmental Employment Program (SEE Enrollees). The SEE program was authorized by the Environmental Programs Assistance Act of 1984 (Pub. L. 98-313). The contractor(s) and/or SEE Enrollee(s) will be filing, organizing, analyzing and/or summarizing the information for agency personnel. The contractors have signed a contract with EPA that contains a confidentiality clause with respect to CBI that they handle for EPA. The SEE Enrollee(s) is working under a cooperative agreement that contains a provision concerning the treatment and safeguarding of CBI. The individual SEE enrollee has also signed a confidentiality agreement regarding treatment of CBI. Pursuant to CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e)(7) and EPA's regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 2.310(h), EPA may share such CBI with EPA's authorized representatives which include contractors and cooperators under the Environmental Programs Assistance Act of 1984. (See 58 Fed.Reg. 7187 (1993)). If you have any objection to disclosure by EPA of documents which you claim are CBI to any or all of the entities listed in Enclosure 3, you must notify EPA in writing at the time you submit such documents.

Enclosure 2

Definitions

- The term "documents" shall mean writings, photographs, sound or magnetic records, 1. drawings, or other similar things by which information has been preserved and also includes information preserved in a form which must be translated or deciphered by machine in order to be intelligible to humans. Examples of documents include, but are not limited to, electronic mail and other forms of computer communication, drafts, correspondence, memoranda, notes, diaries, statistics, letters, telegrams, minutes, contracts, reports, studies, checks, statements, receipts, summaries, pamphlets, books, invoices, checks, bills of lading, weight receipts, toll receipts, offers, contracts, agreements, deeds, leases, manifests, licenses, permits, bids, proposals, policies of insurance, logs, interoffice and intra-office communications, notations of any conversations (including, without limitation, telephone calls, meetings, and other communications such as e-mail), bulletins, printed matter, computer printouts, invoices, worksheets, graphic or oral records or representations of any kind (including, without limitation, charts, graphs, microfiche, microfilm, videotapes, recordings and motion pictures), electronic, mechanical, magnetic or electric records or representations of any kind (including, without limitation, tapes, cassettes, discs, recordings and computer memories), minutes of meetings, memoranda, notes, calendar or daily entries, agendas, notices, announcements, maps, manuals, brochures, reports of scientific study or investigation, schedules, price lists, data, sample analyses, and laboratory reports.
- The term "hazardous substance" means (a) any substance designated pursuant to section 1321(b)(2)(A) of Title 33, (b) any element, compound, mixture, solution, or substance designated pursuant to section 9602 of this title, (c) any hazardous waste having the characteristics identified under or listed pursuant to section 3001 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. Section 6921) (but not including any waste the regulation of which under the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. Section 6901 et seq.) has been suspended by Act of Congress), (d) any toxic pollutant listed under section 1317(a) of Title 33, (e) any hazardous air pollutant listed under section 112 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Section 7412), and (f) any imminently hazardous chemical substance or mixture with respect to which the Administrator has taken action pursuant to section 2606 of Title 15. The term does not include petroleum, including crude oil or any fraction thereof which is not otherwise specifically listed or designated as a hazardous substance under subparagraphs (a) through (f) of this paragraph, and the term does not include natural gas, natural gas liquids, liquefied natural gas, or synthetic gas usable for fuel (or mixtures of natural gas and such synthetic gas).
- 3. The term "pollutant or contaminant" shall include, but not be limited to, any element, substance, compound, or mixture, including disease-causing agents, which after release into the environment and upon exposure, ingestion, inhalation, or assimilation into any organism, either directly from the environment or indirectly by ingestion through food chains, will or may reasonably be anticipated to cause death, disease, behavioral abnormalities, cancer, genetic mutation, physiological malfunctions (including malfunctions in reproduction) or physical deformations in such organisms or their offspring, except that the term "pollutant or contaminant" shall not include petroleum, including crude oil or any fraction thereof which is not otherwise specifically listed or

designated as a hazardous substance under CERCLA, and shall not include natural gas, liquefied natural gas, or synthetic gas of pipeline quality (or mixtures of natural gas and such synthetic gas).

- The term "release" means any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, 4. discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing into the environment (including the abandonment or discarding of barrels, containers, and other closed receptacles containing any hazardous substance or pollutant or contaminant), but excludes (a) any release which results in exposure to persons solely within a workplace, with respect to a claim which such persons may assert against the employer of such persons, (b) emissions from the engine exhaust of a motor vehicle, rolling stock, aircraft, vessel, or pipeline pumping station engine, (c) release of source, byproduct, or special nuclear material from a nuclear incident, as those terms are defined in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. Section 2011 et seq.), if such release is subject to requirements with respect to financial protection established by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission under section 170 of such Act (42 U.S.C. Section 2210), or, for the purposes of section 9604 of this title or any other response action, any release of source byproduct, or special nuclear material from any processing site designated under sections 7912(a)(1) or 7942(a) of this title, and (d) the normal application of fertilizer.
- 5. The term "<u>waste</u>" or "<u>wastes</u>" shall mean and include any discarded materials including, but not limited to, trash, garbage, refuse, by-products, solid waste, hazardous waste, hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants, and discarded or spilled chemicals, whether solid, liquid, or sludge.
- 6. The term "you" when referring to an incorporated entity shall mean and include the incorporated entity and its agents and representatives, including, but not limited to persons directly authorized to transact business on the entity's behalf such as officers, directors, or partners with which the entity is affiliated, employees, accountants, engineers, or other persons who conduct business on the entity's behalf, as well as affiliated entities, including, but not limited to, partnerships, limited liability companies, divisions, subsidiaries, and/or holding companies.

List of Contractors That May Review Your Response

Artic Slope Regional Corporation

Contract # EP-W-05-052.

Subcontractor: Booz-Allen & Hamilton

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Contract # GS-35F-0306J (GSA Schedule)

CDM-Federal Programs Corporation

Contract # EP-S3-07-06

Subcontractors: L. Robert Kimball & Associates

Inc.

Page Technologies Inc. Avatar Environmental LLC Terradon Corporation

Chenega Global Services, LLC

Contract #EP-S3-09-02

EA Engineering, Science and Technology, Inc.

Contract #EP-S3-07-07 Subcontractor: URS

Eisenstein Malanchuck, LLP

Contract #EP-W-07-079

Subcontractors: R. M. Fields

International, LLC

James C. Hermann & Associated

MacRae & Company, Inc.

Guardian Environmental Services

Contract # EP-S3-07-02

Subcontractor: Aerotech, Inc.

Guardian Equipment

Hydrogeologic (HGL)

Contract #EP-S3-07-05

Subcontractor: CH2MHill

Sullivan International

Kemron

Contract # EP-S3-07-03

Subcontractor: Clean Venture/Cycle Chem Inc.

CMC Inc.

Los Alamos Technical Associates,

Inc.

Carlucci Construction

Weston Solutions

Contract #EP-S3-1005

Tech Law, Inc.

Contract #EP-S3-1004

Tetra Tech NUS, Inc.

Contract #EP-S3-07-04

WRS Infrastructure & Environment, Inc.

Contracts # EP-S3-07-01 and #EP-S3-07-09

Subcontractors: AEG Environmental

Environmental Staffing

Veolia Environmental Services Lewis Environmental Group

Industrial Economics, Inc.

Contract # EP-W-06-092

Cooperative Agreements

National Association of Hispanic Elderly

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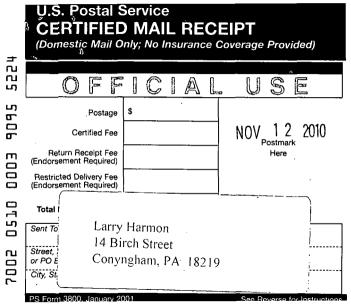
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